Memo to File:

RE: Inspection of the
Wilson-Silverbell Mine
Union Carbide (UMETCO)
ACT/037/027
San Juan County, Utah

In order to complete the revised permitting of Union Carbide's Mining and Reclamation Plans for Utah mines the Division conducted a brief inspection of the Wilson Silverbell Mine on April 10, 1984. Tom Tetting, Wayne Hedberg and Sue Linner were present along with Steve McNeal from the State Health Department. Ron Dehollander, Rich Miller and Niels Haubold represented the company.

Two previous areas of concern were observed:

- 1. The topsoil from the area of proposed waste rock pile expansion had been salvaged and stored from sites at both the Wilson and Silverbell locations as previously requested.
- 2. Mine water which had previously been discharging and running in an uncontrolled manner under a waste rock pile had been partially routed through a 6" irrigation pipe and a newly constructed channel. The irrigation pipe appeared blocked, however. Steve McNeal raised a question about the analysis of the water and the storage in the unlined ponds. The company should submit copies of their lab reports for the water to the State Health Department as soon as possible.

The one remaining, unsettled item of interest, mine water discharge, will be brought out in a letter to the company prior to final surety arrangements being settled this summer.

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